

11/1/17 "Genius is 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration" -Thomas Edison

HW: "Adding & Subtracting Rational Expressions" w/s
Quarter Test Wednesday 11/8

AIM: How do we Add/Subtract Rational Expressions?

Warm Up:

$$1) \frac{2}{2} \left(\frac{5}{19} \right) + \frac{7}{38}$$

$$= \frac{10}{38} + \frac{7}{38}$$

$$\frac{17}{38}$$

$$2) \frac{10}{10} \left(\frac{2}{15} \right) - \frac{3}{25} \cdot \frac{6}{6}$$

$$\frac{20}{150} - \frac{18}{150} = \frac{2}{150} = \boxed{\frac{1}{75}}$$



The Basic RULE for Adding and Subtracting Fractions:

Get a Common Denominator!

Steps for Adding/Subtracting Rational Expressions:

- 1) Find a common denominator
(Don't forget to factor first)
- 2) Re-write the fractions so they have the same denominator.
- 3) Perform the indicated operations.
- 4) Simplify (Reduce) if possible.

Examples:

1) What is the least common multiple (LCM) of

$$\frac{2x^2 - 8x + 8}{15x^2 - 60} \text{ and } \frac{15x^2 - 60}{?}$$

(Factor first)

$$2(x^2 - 4x + 4) \quad 15(x^2 - 4)$$

$$2(x-2)(x-2) \quad 15(x+2)(x-2)$$

*The GCF
the extra factors

$$2(x-2)(x-2)(15)(x+2)$$

$$30(x-2)(x-2)(x+2)$$

2) What is the sum in simplest form?

$$\frac{1}{3x^2 + 21x + 30} + \frac{4x}{3x + 15}$$

$$3(x^2 + 7x + 10) \quad 3(x+5)(x+2)$$

$$3(x+5)(x+2)$$

$$\frac{1}{3(x+5)(x+2)} + \frac{4x^2 + 8x}{3(x+5)(x+2)} = \frac{4x^2 + 8x + 1}{3(x+5)(x+2)}$$

3) Find the difference in simplest form

$$\begin{array}{c} \textcircled{4} \quad \quad \quad 2x \\ \hline x^2 - 2x - 3 \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} 3 \quad \quad \quad \textcircled{x-3} \\ \hline 4x+4 \end{array}$$

$\textcircled{4} \quad \quad \quad \textcircled{x-3}$
 $(x-3)(x+1) \quad 4(x+1)$

LCD:
 $4(x-3)(x+1)$

$$\frac{8x}{4(x-3)(x+1)} + \frac{-3x+9}{4(x-3)(x+1)} = \boxed{\frac{5x+9}{4(x-3)(x+1)}}$$

Practice:

a) ~~$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{7}$~~

b) $\frac{(x+3)6}{(x+3)x} - \frac{7(x)}{x+3(x)}$ LCD:
 $x(x+3)$

$\frac{6x+18}{x(x+3)} + \frac{-7x}{x(x+3)}$

$\frac{-1x+18}{x(x+3)} = \frac{18-x}{x(x+3)}$

c) $\frac{(y)y}{(y)y} \frac{6}{x} + \frac{7}{xy}$ LCD
 xy

$\frac{6y}{xy} + \frac{7}{xy} = \frac{6y+7}{xy}$

LCD = 12x
1) $\frac{(2)2x+3}{(2)6x} - \frac{x-2(3)}{4x(3)}$

$\frac{4x+6}{12x} + \frac{-3x+6}{12x} = \frac{x+12}{12x}$

2) $\frac{3}{x+2} + \frac{x-2}{x}$

$$3) \frac{6}{y-5} - \frac{y+5}{y^2-25} \Rightarrow \frac{6}{y-5} - \frac{\cancel{y+5}}{(y-5)\cancel{(y+5)}}$$

$$\frac{6}{y-5} + \frac{-1}{y-5} = \frac{5}{y-5}$$

$$4) \frac{2}{a^2-4} - \frac{1}{a^2+2a}$$

$$\frac{2(a)}{(a-2)(a+2)(a)} - \frac{1(a-2)}{a(a+2)(a-2)} \quad \text{LCD: } a(a-2)(a+2)$$

$$\frac{2a}{a(a-2)(a+2)} + \frac{-a+2}{a(a-2)(a+2)} = \frac{\cancel{a+2}}{a(a-2)\cancel{(a+2)}}$$

$$5) \frac{1}{2-x} + \frac{2}{x-2}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{a(a-2)}}$$

$$6) \frac{x}{x^2-4x+3} - \frac{x}{x^2+2x-3}$$

$$5) \frac{(x-2)1}{(x-2)2-x} + \frac{2(2-x)}{x-2(2-x)} \quad \text{LCD: } \frac{\quad}{(2-x)(x-2)}$$

$$\frac{(x-2)}{(2-x)(x-2)} + \frac{4-2x}{(2-x)(x-2)} = \frac{-x+2}{(2-x)(x-2)} = \frac{2-x}{(2-x)(x-2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x-2}$$

$$7) \frac{y}{y-3} - \frac{18}{y^2-9}$$

$$8) \frac{2}{a+1} + \frac{3}{a^2-1}$$

$$9) \frac{2}{5a} + \frac{1}{4a}$$

$$10) \frac{1}{2a+2} + \frac{1}{a^2-1}$$

$$11) \frac{3}{x-3} + \frac{x}{3-x}$$

$$12) \frac{b}{b-1} - \frac{1}{2-2b}$$

$$13) \frac{1}{a+2} + \frac{a}{a^2+a} \div \frac{a}{a+1}$$